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The Lord's Prayer

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Process of creation and apostasy of the beings....

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Believe Me, I will gladly instruct you when I recognise your longing for truthful knowledge, because I only emanate light and this light permeates the darkness.... However, you are still in an area of darkness where light has to be sent to you until you are so filled by it that you can also pass it on again yourselves.... But you will be receptive for My ray of light as soon as you desire clarification about regions which are still in darkness to you.... Then I can illuminate you, I can once again gradually return you to the state of enlightenment and introduce you to knowledge which will make you happy. And there shall be light in you, you shall know where you came from and your final goal on earth.... You can only receive this knowledge from Me Myself, Who created you for My pleasure....

You came forth from Me Myself.... My strength of love externalised living creations who were like Me Myself, who were independent beings.... created by Me as miniatures of Myself. I gave life to these creations, i.e. they were able to create and work like Me, they were also able to hear My voice and therefore knew of Me Myself as their God and Creator, and they were faithfully devoted to Me and tremendously happy.... But you humans know little or nothing about the kingdom of these once blissful spirits.... This kingdom was originally created when I wanted to recognise Myself in images of Myself, when I created vessels into which I could pour My love.... I created spiritual beings because My infinite love wanted to give itself, it wanted to flow into similar beings whose perfection gave Me unimaginable bliss.... I created a spiritual world with living inhabitants for My delight, I populated it with creations of the most magnificent kind and rejoiced in the beings' bliss, to whom I gave such happiness because love, which was and remains My fundamental nature, motivated Me to do so....

This spiritual world existed for an infinitely long time in harmony and most intimate unity of all beings with Me, their Creator and Provider.... For an infinitely long time these beings' will and love concurred with Mine.... Because the first created being, which I Myself had externalised in complete perfection, loved Me deeply and devotedly. It found unlimited bliss by constantly creating new beings brought to life through his will and the use of My strength.... which corresponded to My will, because the love this being felt for Me resulted in the same will. Consequently, there was no discord in the spiritual world, nothing contradicted My will, it was a world of unlimited happiness because all spiritual beings were teeming with light and strength and were able to create by using their own will.... which was also My will as long as the strength of My love permeated all My living creations.... But this perfect state did not last.... For I did not constrain the spiritual beings by My will, I gave free will to every single being as a sign of its divinity....

The first created being.... Lucifer.... also had this free will.... and he misused it.... However, Lucifer could have voluntarily wanted the same as I Myself and he would have been infinitely happy and remained so forever.... But he misused his freedom of will and directed it wrongly, which resulted in a spiritual rebellion the consequences of which you humans cannot possibly understand. Nevertheless, you humans are the products of this past spiritual rebellion.... Lucifer, the first created being, with whom I was in constant contact through the Word, was able to think, as were all created beings, and therefore he was also able to infer a wrong meaning to My Word.... He had free will and could therefore also change the direction of his mind. He was able to leave the law of eternal order and set up completely wrong concepts and, by doing so, caused mental confusion in himself as well as in the

beings who followed him, which resulted in momentous consequences.... He also transferred his wrong thoughts to the beings brought to life by his will and the use of My strength.... A general opposition to Me ensued, the beings resisted Me, they no longer accepted My illumination of love unreservedly and thereby grew weaker and darker.... They revolted against the law of eternal order, their thoughts made their own way....

This resulted in an incredible chaos in the host of the first created spirits who then had to decide whom they should follow.... which resulted in the desertion of countless beings from Me. However, I did not put a stop to it, I only saw in it a means which would lead to even greater bliss than I could give the 'created' beings.... who certainly had emanated from Me in all perfection but who nevertheless were always just My 'work'.... Now, after the apostasy from Me, they had the opportunity to return again as 'children' which would heighten their bliss by far, because the return to Me as a 'child' has to be achieved entirely voluntarily but then the being will be completely independent from Me, My power and My will, yet it will exist totally within My will since, due to its perfection, it will have totally accepted My will.... You humans are on this way of return to Me while you live on this earth, and if you are of good will My eternal light of love can permeate you once again, and all the knowledge you once possessed but voluntarily surrendered can be regained by you.... And I know of no greater bliss than to give you this knowledge, than to offer you My immense love and to change your state of darkness and ignorance, so that you will become as you were in the beginning, so that you will achieve unlimited happiness again, so that you will reach your goal and return as true children to Me, your Father of eternity, Whose love is and eternally will be for you who once came forth from His love....

Amen

High value of correct prayer

B.D. No. 6622

August 15th 1956

Everything will be beneficial for you if you appeal to Me for My blessing. If you come to Me like children to the Father with a request, I will not close My ears but grant you what you ask for. You should be firmly convinced that I will hear you, that I will always lend you My ear and take pleasure in the words of trust spoken by your heart, even if your mouth remains silent. And thus I will guide you on every path you take and will always arrange everything so that it will be a blessing for you You are unaware of the rich blessings your heartfelt contact with Me results in, which you establish with Me through a prayer in spirit and in truth. This sincere bond enables My strength of love to flow into you, which will provide the soul with tremendous impetus, it will further its development like a refreshing jet of water turns a bud into a flower The soul needs this influx of strength but it cannot receive it if the door to the heart is locked which is always the case as long as the human being remains isolated from Me. He must open himself up voluntarily and this happens precisely through his connection with Me in prayer. Every heartfelt prayer signifies a union with Me, because I pay attention to every such prayer But if the prayer concerns a spiritual request, My flow of grace will pour out over My child in abundance, and the soul will have taken a large step up. For My strength will not remain ineffective, even if this effect is not obvious to you as a human being. People could so easily change their nature through the right kind of prayer A prayer in spirit and in truth is the direct path to Me which gives a person what he is in dire need of: My strength of love Then he will be able to meet all requirements I expect of him so that he will become fully mature, he will be able to accomplish the work of improving his soul and need not fear any weakness, for through prayer he can repeatedly receive a new influx of strength and will not fall by the wayside but instead safely reach the goal. But who seriously shapes his soul such that I can accept it into My kingdom? So that it can stay close to Me in order to be indescribably happy? Only a person who sincerely prays to Me Few prayers rise up to Me and thus only few people will reach their goal on earth The fact that you may pray to Me, that you may approach Me like children to the Father and can also appeal to Him for help, is a gift of grace you humans value far too little; indeed, you often even disregard it For you would be able to dispose of all weaknesses through prayer. If you thus have the serious will to reach higher

spheres, to attain Me, then prayer is the best guarantee that you will reach your goal, for every request pertaining to your spiritual well-being will be granted, because it is what I want to hear from you: the desire for Me However, I will also help you in earthly adversity, for I have promised this as well if you believe firmly and without doubt Therefore you may avail yourselves of the grace of prayer at all times, I will always be open for you as soon as you pray in spirit and in truth, as soon as you trustingly present your needs and problems to Me. And you will never have to wait in vain for the fulfilment of your prayers, since a Father Who loves His children will grant their desires providing it does not harm their soul's salvation. For I will never disappoint a child which trusts Me implicitly.

Amen

Prayer in spirit and in truth

B.D. No. 3515

August 16th 1945

Every prayer rising up to Me in spirit and in truth will be granted. But who prays to Me in spirit and in truth?.... A thought arising from the bottom of your heart intended for Me will guarantee the right prayer. Anyone who speaks to Me without shyness and restraint just as if it came from the heart, anyone who does not look for Me in the distance but feels Me close to himself, who does not recite formal prayers but rather has thoughts which come forth from himself, that is, thoughts which arise from his own heart, who speaks to Me without falsehood and dishonesty thus anyone who completely opens his heart to Me without wanting to hide anything, who therefore speaks to Me like a child to its father sends his prayer to Me in spirit and in truth, because the spiritual spark has been kindled in him already. His spirit has awakened to life, and this places heartfelt thoughts into a person's heart Anyone who can pray to Me like that is already on the right path and he will be guided along by his spirit in the right way. However, this is the kind of prayer I expect in order to hear it. I pay no attention to formal prayers because they do not arise from a person's own heart and can therefore never be felt with the same depth as the heart's own language can express. Anyone who prays to Me must call upon Me in spirit and his voice will be heard by the Father-Spirit. Anyone who calls upon Me must drop all inhibitions, he must step in front of Me without hiding anything and speak plainly and frankly, it must not be accompanied by the least insincere thought, he must pray with absolute truthfulness For I know every thought and nothing remains concealed from Me. Anyone who prays to Me like that in spirit and in truth does not need a special place for prayer, he can send his spirit to Me always and in all places, he will always pray 'in his closet' if he withdraws into himself and seeks mental contact with Me and I will answer his prayer. I Am waiting for such a call, and I Am perceptively close to anyone who calls upon Me in spirit and in truth, and he will feel the presence of My Father- Spirit around himself, he will not send his prayer into the distance but speak to Me in the certainty that I Myself Am close to Him and hear him. And whatever My child asks for will be granted. For its indwelling spirit instructs it to pray in the right way, and this prayer will always more relate to his spiritual than to his physical well-being. But I will also help My child physically, because it subordinates its will to Mine as soon as it prays in the right way, that is, in spirit and in truth. He knows the goal of his life on earth and aims to attain it, for the right prayer also guarantees higher knowledge Anyone who calls upon Me as I want to be called upon, need not fear any want But first I will consider his spirit, so that his soul shall be imbued with knowledge, so that his soul need not live in want. Then the human being will also know that physical suffering is not inevitable, that it is beneficial for the soul and he will humbly subordinate himself to My will. Nevertheless, I will also guide him unscathed through his earthly life, because I will grant My child every help. A right prayer therefore also guarantees the fulfilment of earthly requests, and no such prayer will ever remain unheeded. My love will always fulfil a sincere desire for Me and My help, for My grace and strength, for spiritual and earthly care, because anyone praying to Me in spirit and in truth lives up to My will, and I will be a loving Father on earth and in eternity for anyone striving to fulfil My will.

Amen

Our Father, Who art in heaven

God.... Father....

B.D. No. 5481

September 6th 1952

Don't let Me be the distant God for you, to Whom you only pray for help at a specific time when humanly decreed instructions require you to do so, but call Me to you at any time, always let Me be close to you.... regard Me as the Father Who longs for His children with tender love, and speak to Me like a child speaks to its father.... fearlessly, trustingly and simple, so that My heart will take pleasure in the children's stammering. Only when you humans stop searching for Me in the distance, only when you sense My presence, will the right bond with Me have been established with the result.... that My love will take effect in you, who are My children and who should also avail yourselves of your childship. Then you will no longer walk alone on earth, then you will have the most loyal friend and helper by your side, then you will learn to think correctly and also make correct use of your earthly life, because then I will give you instructions which you will receive mentally and you will also act accordingly, for a true child carries out what its Father asks it to do....

Learn to recognise the Father in Me.... For I want to be loved by you and not just feared as God.... Then you will also pray such that I can grant your prayer, because thereby you will be expressing your love and faith.... However, you will never speak as intimately and trustingly to **God** as you will be able to speak to the **Father**. For then you will only speak the words you learned traditionally, as laid down by ecclesiastical faith which can only too easily remain a formality, a prayer which is not sent up to Me in spirit and in truth. I do not grant lip-prayers, I want to be addressed as Father by My children, I want to hear your heart speaking, then I will also lovingly draw close to it and grant its prayer. Admittedly, you humans first have to learn to recognise a God and Creator of eternity in order to awaken faith in you, but then this faith must come alive through love.... you must learn to love God as your Father, then the relationship between us will not be a dead or formal one, then you will establish a heartfelt bond with Me, which I expect of you so that I will be able to embrace you with all My love. Then you will have taken a big step forward on the path to perfection, and then I will never ever let go of you again and My devoted Fatherly love will guide you towards the goal.... You will enter the eternal home, your Father's house, as My true children.... you will come into the Father's inheritance.... You will be able to work and create in light and strength like Me and in accordance with My will, and you will be indescribably happy....

Amen

In My Father's house are many mansions....'

B.D. No. 5449

July 26th 1952

In My Father's house are many mansions.... Can you understand the meaning of My Words? That I promise you a dwelling in My Father's house but at the same time want you to know that a suitable abode is prepared to accommodate every one of My living creations.... that I want to tell you, that what you have not yet achieved on earth you can still strive to achieve in My kingdom, because I have countless possibilities to improve your development in the spiritual kingdom. I have not just the earth at My disposal, but all My creations are places to attain full maturity for the still imperfect soul until it has finally developed to the point that, in heavenly bliss, it will be able to take possession of the most magnificent spiritual creations, for wherever it stays is in 'My Father's house', in the sphere of My infinite love, and it will always stay where the Father has prepared a dwelling place which corresponds to its degree of love and its ability to reign and work in the realm to which it was assigned by Me.

In My Father's house are many mansions.... No being is homeless, the eternal home accepts all souls, yet this home has many different aspects.... it can exhibit the most magnificent flower gardens and wonderful palaces, but it can also include infinitely vast barren regions which take ages to wander through.... yet even in these barren regions paths branch off which lead to areas full of flowers, and it just depends on whether the rambblers pay attention to these paths, whether they attentively try to find a way out from this barren region and also take this way out.... Everyone will be accepted in My eternal home, and everyone has the right to take ownership of a dwelling. But what it consists of is entirely subject to their will.

And therefore I say: In My Father's house are many mansions.... For every human being, every being, prepares its own place of abode depending on the degree of its perfection. Yet no matter how poor his dwelling is.... through his will and his work it can really quickly be transformed, and the most delightful homesteads can arise if only the soul has the desire for it and diligently strives for fulfilment. In that case it will be supported by countless helpers who will create and work with the soul, and it can become a paradise-like dwelling place where previously was a barren and bleak region.... One day every soul will return to its true home, but as long as it is still imperfect it will feel homeless, although it will have already entered the kingdom from whence it once had come. However, I have many schoolhouses, and higher development will advance for sure, even if it often requires a long time.... One day the lost son will return home and reside in the mansion he once owned, he will stay in the Father's house where all children are gathered around the Father, he will be lovingly received by the Eternal Love, Which will give him a seat next to Himself....

Yet infinite times will still pass by until all My children have found home again, until they can take up residence in My house; infinite times will still pass by, yet I will not abandon any one of My children.... The Father's love attracts them, and not one of My children will be able to resist this love **forever....**

Amen

'No one comes to the Father....'

B.D. No. 6579

June 25th 1956

No one comes to the Father except through Me.... The extreme importance of these words also explains the necessity of leading those people who are not yet believers to faith in Jesus Christ, or of advocating a living faith where knowledge of Jesus Christ is already present. For no one can come to Me who does not recognise Me Myself in Jesus Christ.... Because there are people who indeed say that they believe in 'God', since He gives evidence of Himself in everything which surrounds the human being, but who do not want to accept Jesus Christ as Son of God and Saviour of the world although they do not consider themselves unbelievers. But these people are still very distant from their God and Creator, they have not yet come into closer contact with Me and hence their thoughts cannot become enlightened.

They are still burdened with the sin of the former apostasy from Me, and this sin ties them to My adversary, they will not get away from him without Jesus Christ. But not many people know about this sin of the past apostasy from Me, consequently they are not aware of the significance of Jesus and His act of Salvation either. Providing people know the teachings of the Gospel, providing they know the words spoken by Jesus on earth, they could also reflect on the words 'No one comes to the Father except through Me....' And if only they seriously wanted more information about this, they would certainly receive it, and the thought of these words would certainly never leave them again....

The only way to Me is through Jesus Christ, since the redemption of the guilt of sin has to come first in order to be accepted by Me.... No being who had voluntarily become sinful can approach Me before salvation through Jesus Christ. This is a law which even My infinite love cannot reverse. And no human being will really feel completely confident in his heart about God either, Whom he may well acknowledge with words or superficial thoughts, because on serious reflection he would know that he does not have the right relationship with his eternal God and Creator....

He will never confide in Me like a child to his Father, he will only believe that God exists but not establish a close connection with Me, which requires love.... Because love also enlightens his spirit, love would improve his spiritual vision.... Love would make him question but not make an erroneous statement. Every person will feel slightly uneasy when he contemplates spiritual thoughts and will not yet have made contact with Jesus Christ.... The course of suffering and crucifixion will not remain unknown to him, time and again he will enter into conversations with other people or be reminded by them of Jesus Christ because I constantly guide his thought to the human being Jesus, Who lived on earth and experienced a painful end.... Even if he does not yet acknowledge Him he does know of Jesus' earthly life, and I Myself will remind him of Me in Jesus Christ.

And corresponding to the human being's degree of love will be his acceptance or rejection.... Wherever there is love I take hold of the person Myself, and his resistance will steadily lessen, until he finally sees the human being Jesus in an entirely different light than at the beginning, when He was still defensively opposed to Him. However, if he does not want to learn, if his will is still hostile at the hour of his death, he cannot expect blissfulness in the spiritual kingdom, in spite of a right way of life he can only be accepted into the realm where all deniers of Christ dwell, because he refused to be redeemed on earth, and he will enter the spiritual kingdom in a constrained state.... But even there he can still find his divine Saviour and Redeemer....

And again, it is a great mercy on My part that I will meet all those in the spiritual kingdom who so far had rejected Me, that I will hear every appeal sent to Me as the Redeemer, and that I will then take hold of the caller's hand and lead him from that realm into My divine region.... Because I will still retrieve the souls from the abyss providing I Am acknowledged.... providing a soul has found the way to Jesus Christ, Whom it had rejected on earth but without Whom it cannot reach its goal. The kingdom of light is closed to every soul as long as Jesus Christ does not open the gate for it, but this necessitates that He is acknowledged as Son of God and Redeemer of the world. For this reason the human being Jesus said the words 'No one comes to the Father except through Me.'

Because I Myself spoke through the human being Jesus, I Myself wanted to be acknowledged in Him, Who merely served as a cover for Me during earthly life.... but which I kept even in the spiritual kingdom so that I could be a visible God to all My living creations, since I was an eternal Spirit after all.... and as such could not be seen by the created beings. I chose a form for Myself in order to become a visible God for you humans, and in this form I accomplished the act of Salvation. Consequently, you also have to acknowledge the form in which I had dwelled, and then you will already have taken the right path to Me, your Father of eternity.... However, without Jesus Christ you will not ever be able to come to Me, because without Jesus Christ My adversary will not release you, since you still belong to him as a result of your will....

Amen

Hallowed by Thy name.

‘Hallowed be Thy name ’

B.D. No. 1849

March 15th 1941

Hallowed be Thy name voice these words with deep devotion and, every day, remember the **H**overwhelming love of the One Who gave you life and how His spirit is in you when you are in contact with Him You should pray to Him, speak to Him with profound faith, and profess this faith in Him by mentioning His name, by calling to Him in prayer, by praising and glorifying Him and by forever thanking Him And when you voice His name you should be conscious of the fact that you are speaking to the highest and most perfect Being Which you should approach with profound veneration, appealing for Its love and grace. When you become aware of how small and tiny you are compared to Him, when you lift your eyes to Him in silent reverence and entrust yourselves to Him, you will voice His name with profound depth of feeling, He will signify the most holiest of Beings and you will humbly go down on your knees to Him For it is the Lord’s will that you should also mention His name; it is His will that you should profess Him before the world. It is not enough that you only acknowledge Him in your hearts and only quietly enter into contact with Him on your own. It should become public knowledge that you want to belong to Him; you should pronounce His hallowed name with faith and courage, profess your love for Him and stand up to all external temptations to renounce Him. Voicing the divine name is extremely beneficial, for His name incorporates strength and each person can acquire this strength, provided that he entrusts himself to Him and passionately mentions His name by sincerely praying “Hallowed be Thy name”

Amen

The strength of Jesus' name....

B.D. No. 6663

October 6th 1956

When you speak My name with deep devotion you accrue an abundance of spiritual strength for yourselves, for you thereby proclaim your faith in Me, your reverence and love, which you bestow upon your divine Redeemer Jesus Christ, and this faith can be rewarded by Me with a flow of strength which you all urgently require. And if you then come together in My name you will all be permeated by strength and your soul will feel My presence, for then I will dwell within your midst because your devout thoughts allow Me to be present with you.... And you will find yourselves in a developmental stage which guarantees deliverance as soon as you confess Me in Jesus Christ.... Ever since My crucifixion your salvation is therefore dependent on whether you acknowledge My act of Salvation by the man Jesus, whether you believe that your God and Creator descended to earth in order to accomplish the act of Salvation in the human being Jesus on your behalf.... Hence you have to confirm this belief of yours, and you do so by devoutly uttering My name, by acknowledging your God and Father in Jesus Christ and thus expressing it by mentioning My name. I will always hear and grant the call you send to Me in Jesus Christ and it will allow Me to be present with you.

And every meeting in My name will be blessed by Me.... I want to guide your thoughts and enlighten your spirit; I want to speak to you Myself and I Am indeed able to do so because I can be amongst you, because you believe in Me. And therefore you should frequently get together, and where two or three are gathered together in My name, there Am I in the midst of them.... I can therefore at any time partake in your conversations, in your thoughts, I can impart to you everything you need at that time; I can enlighten you where doubts remain, and I can advise and help you, for you all are in need of My advice and My help, you all still resemble weak little children who must be led by the hand towards the right goal. But as soon as you just speak My name with a faithful heart you will

enable such guidance. And this is why people won't be able to claim 'Here is Christ.... there is Christ....' for I cannot be searched for in any locality, I Am only present where a believing human heart allows Me to be present through kind-hearted activity and where, in small circles, My name is devoutly uttered in living faith of My act of Salvation....

For only faith that has come alive through love recognises and professes Me as the Redeemer Jesus Christ and allows for My presence. And thus I can indeed be proclaimed everywhere yet I can only take abode in a few human hearts, precisely because My name is only voiced by a few people with the absolute conviction that I brought them salvation through My death on the cross, and because only for a few people My name has the strength to penetrate their soul and truly bring it to life.... And these will noticeably feel My blessing, they will feel very intimately united with Me and thus associate with Me like a child with its Father, they will be conscious of My presence and harmony and inner peace will be their share, because.... where I Am.... there is peace and bliss.

Amen

‘Whosoever shall confess Me before men ’

B.D. No. 7216

November 28th 1958

Anyone shying away from confessing Me before the world is not permeated by My spirit, he is just an empty vessel, a lifeless form without spirit and life, for life knows Me and also confesses Me to fellow human beings. And you will also be able to recognise the Christians who merely observe formalities by the fact that they anxiously avoid mentioning My name, that they do not speak about Me and My act of Salvation, that they only rarely let themselves be drawn into spiritual conversations and even then only with a sense of discomfort And you will recognise them as ‘dead’ followers. For wherever My spirit is able to work, My name will be confessed with the greatest of joy, the human being will be impelled from within to confess Me before the world If you then watch how rarely people behave in a ‘Christian’ manner, how they try to avoid everything relating to religion or Christendom be it in relation to church or other proclamations of the Word, if you watch how everything is only covered with secrecy, how people in company of others shirk from touching upon a subject which concerns God, Jesus Christ, the spiritual kingdom or the human being’s task on earth then it is easy to guess what people’s decision will be one day when it is necessary for them to confess or deny the One Who had redeemed the world from sin and death. Then only a few will stand up for Me and My name before the world with full conviction however, the majority will keep a low profile, perhaps not entirely having detached themselves in their heart but lacking the strength of faith in order to accept the consequences of a true confession Only a few will bear up against the pressures, My adversary’s activity is approaching its end. Then it will be proven as to who is redeemed from sin and death, for only this person will loudly confess My name before the world, only he will summon the strength to resist when he is requested to renounce Me. Only a living faith will give people this strength, only a living faith will ensure the working of My spirit in the human being and thus also a certain confidence in My support during the time of the end. And this is the time when the separation of the spirits will take place, when it will become clearly obvious who belongs and wants to belong to My Own and whose Christianity has so far been a mere formality Then it will not be enough to be a follower of this or that school of faith, instead, a person must follow **Me Myself in Jesus Christ**, his bond with Me must be so alive that he cannot help loudly proclaiming My name as that of his God and Redeemer In that case he will also be accepted by Me, I will also confess him in the kingdom of light, I will fulfil My promise ‘Whosoever shall confess Me before men, him will I confess also before My Father ’ For he has acknowledged Me Myself in Jesus Christ, and the fullness of My spirit is in him Yet woe to those who renounce Me They still belong to My adversary’s followers and are and will remain his for an infinitely long time again. However, they knew that I demand the acknowledgment of My name, they were not left in ignorance and must therefore also be answerable on the day of Judgment. Then I will come to judge the ‘living’ and the ‘dead’ Understand these Words correctly: **Life** only comes from Me, and anyone who is **My Own** will live but all those who turn away from Me by renouncing Me when the final decision is

demand of them will die And their number will be great, yet only a few will be My flock which I will guide into beatitude.

Amen

Thy kingdom come.

‘I came to My Own and they did not accept Me...’

B.D. No. 5114
April 25th 1951

I came to My Own and they did not accept Me, they did not recognise Me.... I Am rarely recognised by people when I approach them on the way, hence they either do not accept My offering as a divine gift or they pay only little attention to it. But I want to be recognised by people so that they can utilize My gift of grace properly and apply it for the benefit of their soul. I often knock in vain at the door of their hearts which remains closed to Him, Who brings the most beneficial gift, Who wants to give them a gift of incalculable value. They do not grant Me entry, they do not want to listen to Me and thus reject the most valuable gift although they are in urgent need of it. I came to My Own and they did not accept Me because they did not recognise Me....

Many want to belong to My Own, many pride themselves about belonging to My church and yet do not know My voice when I want to gather them as a good shepherd and coax and call them.... They do not know My voice and stay away from Me.... But My sheep know the voice of their shepherd.... because I send to My Own Words of love from above, to those who open their heart and allow Me to enter as soon as I wish to enter. Only few recognise Me although every person would have the means to do so if they were willing to look for their eternal Father, because I would allow Myself to be found by them. But there is little longing for Me and thus they do not hear My Word either, which is the evidence of My Being and the visible proof of My love for human beings. And when it is made accessible to them by other people they lack faith and thus also comprehension for My love and mercy which give them the means to reach their goal on earth, to unite with Me by way of love.

It is easily comprehended by My Own who allow Me to speak to them and then make use of the gifts in accordance with My will. I can approach and reveal Myself to them and they will no longer doubt Me, they will accept Me anytime in their heart's abode and hear My Word directly. They will contemplate My Word in their heart and proceed accordingly.... And they will also understand My Word which I spoke on earth, that My kingdom is not of this world.

Because they are now aware of the kingdom of God, they recognise the Father Who wants to come to His Own and Who is not acknowledged by people who live without love. But whoever lives in accordance with My Word has love within himself and is lead by it to realisation.... he follows My call because he has recognised Me....

Amen

My kingdom is not of this world....'

B.D. No. 5336
March 14th 1952

My kingdom is not of this world.... Therefore pay only little regard to the earthly world, only let it affect you as far as your earthly task in life requires, but constantly strive for My kingdom which can be found beyond the material world. My kingdom is the kingdom which lasts forever, whereas the earthly world vanishes with the death of your body; but you can already possess My kingdom on earth if you turn away from the pleasures and commodities of the world and raise your thoughts to Me, if you send them into infinity, questioning Me and opening yourselves up for My reply. Then you already enter the spiritual kingdom which will be your abode one day, then the spiritual kingdom will be of greater value to you than the earthly world, and then you will also receive the wealth which belongs to this kingdom but which cannot be physically received by you. My kingdom is not of this world.... Understand that I want to call you into this world with these Words,

which is your true home and which also wants to admit you again after the death of your body. My kingdom is the realm of light, which you will only be able to enter if you have become receptive to light, if you aspired on earth for My kingdom and thus became aspirants for the kingdom which belongs to Me and wherein you may behold Me one day.

These Words of Mine clearly allow you to understand that you should not ardently desire the earthly kingdom, but that you must rise above it if you want to be admitted into My kingdom.... I want to explain the difference to you, I want to tell you that this world does not belong to Me but that My adversary is its master and that I thus place My kingdom in **opposition** to the earthly world.... I want to entice you over into My kingdom because I want to give you what the material world does not offer.... an eternal life in bliss.

Earth is the valley of suffering and tests; it is the place where imperfect human beings are meant to become perfect. Nevertheless, the earth is not a permanent abode; it is just a stage of development of extremely short duration compared to eternity. And the human being himself, his earthly material cover, is transient; it only serves the soul, which ought to achieve higher development, as a temporary abode. Only then will the soul enter the spiritual kingdom which is everlasting but which can still be My adversary's realm if the soul has not achieved spiritual progress on earth, and thus will enter the kingdom of darkness....

Yet you shall strive for **My** kingdom, the spiritual kingdom in which I Am King and Ruler, where only light and happiness exist, where I Myself give in order to delight all who have entered My kingdom.... Therefore pay only little regard to the earthly world, strive for the kingdom which reveals to you splendours which you humans could not dream of, the kingdom whose splendours I have promised you with the Words 'Eye has not seen, nor ear heard, the things which I have prepared for those who love Me...'

Amen

Seriously striving for the kingdom of God ...

B.D. No. 6376

October 13th 1955

All of you strive far too little for the kingdom of God and its glories even if you believe that you will enter this kingdom one day even if it is your will that this kingdom shall be your home sooner or later Nevertheless, you are still not serious enough about your transformation into love, without which you will never be able to take possession of God's kingdom You are still very weak-willed and do not call often enough upon the only One Who can sufficiently strengthen your will. As long as the world still attracts you, you will not be **entirely** devoted to the One Who alone can make His kingdom with all its glories accessible to you. In that case you still want to serve two masters, or, in other words: The control of **one** master is still too powerful to let you break free of him and hand yourselves over completely to the other master for it is not possible to serve both masters at the same time, because their demands on you are of an entirely opposite nature However, if you want to acquire God's kingdom with all its glory, you must separate yourselves from the world and its enticements You must exert all your strength of will and only consciously strive for this kingdom, otherwise you will run the risk of being held captive by the world and thereby completely depriving yourselves of the kingdom of God. You must make your decision in all seriousness, you must become aware of the fact that only a strong will can reach the goal, and you must appeal for this strong will if you still feel too weak to resist the enticements of the world The world can offer you very little compared to the glories of the kingdom which is not of this world and for the sake of enjoying minutes or hours of happiness you sacrifice the whole of eternity Nor should you defer your intention to seriously deal with the goal You do not know how much time you have left, you do not know when your last hour will come and whether it will take you by surprise so that you will no longer be able to do anything for the salvation of your soul For the indifference of someone who knows is worse than a worldly person's complete lack of knowledge Yet they are both still impressed by the world; consequently, it is most advisable to fight such temptations and cravings

None of you grasp the seriousness of the time. However, many of you would be able to release yourselves from the world, those who are faithful when they call upon Jesus Christ for help, for reinforcement of will, for the strength to withstand temptations You humans are weak-willed and God's adversary will do anything to take advantage of that. God's adversary will always lay his hands on you where you are still vulnerable However, you can release yourselves from him, for whatever your strength cannot manage to do, will be done by **the One** Who died for you on the cross in order to purchase the blessings of a stronger will on your behalf Call upon Him when your soul is in need of help when God's adversary uses his artful trickery, when he uses the pleasures of the world to attract you; and you will suddenly realise how empty and shallow what he presents to your eyes is. You will turn away from him and follow the call of the One who wants to open His kingdom for you, Who one day would like to provide you with all beatitudes in His kingdom.

Amen

'But seek ye first the kingdom of God....'

B.D. No. 6824

May 7th 1957

Only spiritual adversity need weigh you down, whereas earthly problems can leave you unconcerned, because they will be remedied as soon as you pay attention to your soul's adversity and are willing to help it. Yet precisely the people who experience immense earthly adversity are unaware of the fact that their spiritual adversity is the reason why they must suffer and live in want, for they do not know the correlations and My means of salvation, nor do they know the extent of their spiritual adversity, since they are focussed on worldly things and their lack of faith instantly rejects any thought which might cross their mind as an explanation of their difficult fate. Nevertheless, these people need to be instructed about the meaning and purpose of their earthly existence, are they to change their thinking. And in view of their earthly distress such instructions would indeed be appropriate; however, they are usually only successful when people see no other way out by earthly means anymore. Then they will become thoughtful and they can change their mind.... And I will manifestly support especially those people when they turn to Me in thought and appeal for My help. They will not take the earthly adversity over into the kingdom of the beyond; nevertheless, their spiritual adversity will follow them and will not let go of them either until they have turned their will and their thoughts towards Me which, however, is far more difficult than on earth. This is why I said the Words 'But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and His righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you....' I can remove earthly adversity at any time; spiritual hardship, however, must be removed by yourselves.... I can certainly assist you with it, yet you must have the will and become active yourselves, you must take the path to Me, you must believe in Me and seek to fulfil My will, thus, you must live according to My commandments of love for God and your neighbour.... But in that case you will be able to confidently place all earthly adversity into My hands, for then you will have fulfilled the requirements, and My promise, that I will help you both in a physical and spiritual way, I will be able to take effect on you, because your soul will no longer be at risk of getting so engrossed in worry about its earthly needs that it cannot perform its actual task because it is too weak and makes no effort to gain strength. Time and again I have promised My help in earthly adversity, I Myself have asked you to come to **Me** if you are depressed and in need of help, I have given you the assurance that you will never ask anything of Me in vain.... Why don't you avail yourselves of My assurance, why don't you hand yourselves over to Me with complete faith, your Father of eternity? Because you do not believe in Me. And this is the immense spiritual adversity you find yourselves in, for without faith in Me you will not establish the connection with Me, and without this bond you are and will remain weak and will not be able to make any progress whatsoever in your development. As soon as you live your life on earth without Me.... precisely because you don't believe in Me.... you will remain on the same level or even descend further. But you ought to ascend if earthly life is to serve its purpose for you, you ought to get to the point that you can discard all material shackles and enter the spiritual kingdom as free and happy beings.... As long as you do not strive for this, as long as you merely regard your life on earth as an end in itself, you will suffer great spiritual adversity and will require a

noticeable earthly burden which will lead you to a different way of thinking. And although it seems that your physical strength is not sufficient in order to master the earthly adversity, you can nevertheless ease your fate.... by merely taking the path to Me.... when you become conscious of your imperfect state and appeal to Me for help.... Then the earthly adversity will be removed from you at the same time or be arranged such that it will be endurable for you, for then I will have achieved what I wanted to achieve by means of the adversity: that you will get in touch with Me, your God and Father of eternity....

Amen

Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven.

Submitting one's will to God's will...

B.D. No. 7892

May 13th 1961

I require your complete submission to My will. For as soon as you become completely absorbed in My will, you will not be able to think and feel any differently than My will intends, and then you will live in such a way that pleases Me. Thus you must give yourselves to Me, you must accept everything from Me as inflicted upon you or bestowed upon you, you must recognise My hand in everything you experience and know that everything has its meaning and purpose, that everything belongs to your path of destiny which aims to achieve your maturity and is based on My love and wisdom. Then you will no longer grumble and complain, you will humbly give in and allow yourselves to be guided like a child by the Father Who cannot handle you in any other way than good and loving and to Whom you can therefore also entrust yourselves in every adversity of body and soul. In the past your will turned away from Me.... if you now voluntarily submit your will to Mine again, your return will have been accomplished and you will only need to shape yourselves in earthly life such that your union with Me can take place, and this necessitates a heart full of love uniting itself with the Eternal Love in order to complete the final return as a child to the Father. However, submitting your will to Mine also guarantees every conceivable help on My part to achieve this unification with Me, because I Myself very much want you, My living creations, to return to Me as children to your Father. And since I let everything.... the whole of Creation.... arise for the sake of this return, I will always be willing to further this.... thus I will respond to your every expression of will, and this truly in a richly blessed way, if it applies to Me. Then you will also always recognise My will in yourselves, you will do what is helpful for your soul; you will work at improving yourselves and avoid all sinful longings, you will fight all temptations by the enemy of your soul and prevail, because your heartfelt devotion to Me will provide you with strength from Me. Then your life on earth will truly not be a waste of time, because you will recognise its meaning and purpose and thus fulfil your task on earth of attaining spiritual maturity. Nevertheless, you will have to struggle until the end of your life on earth, because My adversary will not give up on you so easily, since he will still believe that he can win you back, and thus he will not stop harassing you.... However, a will which is inclined towards Me also guarantees you influx of strength, for I will not let My child fall into My adversary's hands again once it has turned away from him and taken refuge in Me because it had recognised Me as its God and Father of eternity. Therefore you need not be afraid that I might ever abandon you, don't be scared of the moments of weakness you will experience time and again.... I Myself watch over you and protect you from regressing into the abyss, I will not allow the adversary to gain power over you, I will always walk by your side, even if you don't see Me.... in order to protect you and to safeguard you from all harm which threatens you from My adversary's side. He **cannot** hurt you anymore as soon as you have found your way back to Me, which is demonstrated by your will being inclined towards Me.... For then your earthly life will only be spiritually oriented, you will deliberately detach yourselves from that which belongs to My adversary, even if you are still living within the field of your earthly duties and have to prove yourselves in them.... From then on you will receive all your strength from **Me** which will tie you to Me ever more firmly.... And because you will have returned to Me voluntarily and he will not have been able to force your will, My adversary will have lost his claim on you. This is why no-one can go astray if he believes in Me and strives towards Me in thought or through kind-hearted activity, which always presupposes the will for Me and testifies to the passed test of will on earth.... Complete dedication to Me also includes submission to My will, and then you will belong to Me and I will never ever let go of you....

Amen

**God's will.... Commandments.... Peace and order....
Consequences....**

B.D. No. 2507
October 12th 1942

It is God's will that you should live in peace with each other, that you help each other with love and bear your suffering together. If you live up to His will, your life will be a peaceful and blessed one, suffering and sorrow will remain at bay, for then your way of life will benefit your soul.... You will practice neighbourly love and thereby prove your love for God to Him, and your conduct will be pleasing to God. But how do you relate to each other at the moment?.... You are fighting each other, you are damaging your neighbours, and heartlessness has reached highest perfection. Hence you must suffer, you must endure much adversity which shall teach you to bear the suffering together and to help each other. The will of God must be complied with; otherwise the human being violates divine law. The life of a person who adapts himself to divine will can only be a peaceful one, just as everything on earth will be harmonious and peaceful if people accept God's will as their own. But as soon as a person opposes this divine will, a certain disorder will prevail in his life which is not pleasant for him, for the human being testifies to his wrong will by acting in opposition to divine will. Compliance with divine will, order and peace are cause and effect, but likewise suffering, grief, discord and earthly chaos will be the consequences of acting in opposition to divine will.... Therefore God gave His commandments so that people should know God's will. He provided certain guidelines for people's way of life on earth, according to which the human being shall conduct his life, and He also informed people of the results if a life does not correspond to these guidelines. The divine commandments were given to benefit people so that he who lives up to them may receive eternal life. Non-compliance, however, will result in the soul's death. Divine will must be observed because, as long as the human being or his soul opposes this will, he still testifies to his apostasy from God, he is still opposed to God. Consequently, his life on earth must be an unpleasant state of affairs for him so that it will impel him into changing his will, so that he joins God, Whom he previously had not recognised. For this reason earthly suffering is unavoidably necessary for someone who ignores God's will or utterly opposes Him. God only requires the human being's will to subordinate itself to divine will, so that the human being will do what God, through His commandments, expects him to do, then he will fulfil God's will, and then he will be granted a life of harmony and peace for the soul among the chaos and confusion of the world that was caused by unkindness.

Amen

Love 'He who remains in love remains in Me...'

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May 21st 1954

In unity with Me you find your peace of mind. Your longing is satisfied as soon as you know yourselves to be as one with Me, if you have united with Me through love or heartfelt prayer sent to Me in spirit and in truth. Prayer is the will for unity with Me, activity of love, however, is the fulfilment, for 'He who remains in love remains in Me and I in him....' Love is the most important.... and everything that is described as the maturing of the soul, the return into the Father's house and eternal beatitude depends on deeds of love.... And if you always only keep these words in mind 'He who remains in love remains in Me and I in him....', if you always only remember that **I Am Love Itself**, then you will consider the fulfilment of My commandments of love to be the most important thing, and then you will endeavour to live a life of love in order to be thereby eternally united with Me. Love is everything.... it is redeeming strength, it is light, it is the divine principle, the centre of eternal order.... If a human being exists without love then he has completely left this order, his thoughts and activity are completely in opposition to God, he is spiritually blind, that is, he is ignorant, and he is unredeemed in the hands of the adversary who wants to exclude him from all happiness....

I Am Love Itself, heartlessness is My adversary.... and anyone who therefore desires to be united with Me, who wants to attain Me **must** live a life of love, for then I must also be with him, because

love is and has been My fundamental substance for eternity. I certainly bestow unlimited blessings, I certainly grant you what you don't deserve and don't strive for by yourselves, yet all My gifts of grace only intend to achieve one thing, that you shape yourselves into love, for even if I would like to bestow everything upon you.... you would nevertheless remain dead without love, without love you would remain judged beings.... you would only ever remain My living creations but never ever be able to become My **children**. Only love can accomplish My living creations' deification, only love can unite us, otherwise you will always just lead a miserable existence as isolated beings outside of Me. And this is why the first and most important commandment is to love God above all else and your neighbour as yourself.... And your spiritual state on earth as well as in eternity one day depends on your fulfilment of this commandment.... This is why I instructed My disciples to go into the world and proclaim My divine teaching of love to humanity.... this is why I Myself exemplified to people on earth a life of love and sealed My teaching of love with the death on the cross, which I suffered on behalf of My fellow human beings because of My greater than great love.... because I recognised their infinite hardship and wanted to help them.

And as long as you humans ignore these commandments of Mine you will be unable to achieve beatitude, no matter how profoundly you humble yourselves in the dust before Me, pleading for My mercy.... My love for you cannot be exceeded any more and I want to win all of you over for Me, yet **My** bliss only consists of your reciprocated love, and you must grant this to Me voluntarily.... And your appeal for mercy has to be based on your desire for Me because you **love Me**.... and because you realise how far-away you still are from Me. You must try to reach Me, you must want to achieve unity with Me, and therefore you must live a life of love yourselves or unity will never be possible to achieve. Consider the fact that with every deed of love you draw the eternal Love Itself to yourselves.... but that It cannot enter your hearts if they are still completely contradicting God's fundamental nature.... You only unite with Me through love, and that is what you ought to bear in mind and seek to fulfil the commandment of love as the most important.... you ought to know that no human being can become blissfully happy without love.

Amen

The activity of natural forces according to God's will... Disaster...

B.D. No. 0661
November 10th 1938

The laws God gave to the world from the beginning as being necessary for the beings' spiritual development are always applicable for the human being's journey through life. Forces often actively oppose them, but these are subject to a superior invisible Authority, they will always experience the effects of their adverse actions as being detrimental to them and will either turn around and work according to God's will or, if they maintain their malicious nature, experience God's power increasingly more severely. Hence, the activity of natural forces, too, is always and forever subject to God's will, for were this left at the mercy of the opposing power everything would soon be a total work of destruction, since the opposing forces only ever cause destruction, whereas God's wisdom and will applies to the preservation of all created things. Where natural forces manifest themselves destructively nevertheless, it is always the work of God's will, but this destruction is by no means the permitted action of evil forces. In that case there are carefully considered reasons for God's intervention which, however, only ever help the advancement of spiritual beings or the development of human beings. Even destruction has its good side in many ways. It releases natural spirits from their indescribably long state of constraint.... other natural spirits may become extensively active and thereby comply with their purpose.... and it arouses sleeping spiritual beings from their tranquillity, which can do nothing but harm to them. The fact that the effects of such destruction are often regretful for humanity is also permitted by God, it refers the complete unbeliever to His existence and is a touchstone for believers, whose strength and faith shall be fortified by it. For only such extraordinary phenomena, which natural catastrophes will always be, can place a person into a state of reflection.... When all human power is not enough to stop it, and rich and poor, high and low are equally subject to such God-intended disasters, then the question may still occur to this or that person as to why

humanity has to suffer such a judgment and to what extent a divine power is noticeable. Such questions could lead to a complete turnaround of his present way of thinking and guide the human being to the path of realisation. Every natural disaster is preceded by smaller events which make such thinking easier for the human being, and each previous inner state is, in a manner of speaking, a preparation for the ensuing experience. Would the human being only once realise that all worldly power cannot achieve the slightest change in such elementary effects of nature.... that **all** those within the vicinity of a natural disaster are at the mercy of it.... he would have to turn his thoughts upwards and try to attain a spiritual explanation....

However, the human race has already become far too arrogant.... at best it will describe such evident activity by the eternal Deity with the words: Activity of natural forces.... and will thereby try to dismiss everything which disagrees with its spiritual attitude. It deems itself knowledgeable and considers everything it does not understand merely an inherent manifestation of nature.... but very rarely a visible intervention by a divine Being. Their most acceptable explanation of all natural phenomena is the continued development affected by the sun's rays which, again, are still an unexplored source of strength in the universe and which manage to achieve all life on earth, but, in accordance with that, people are nothing else but living beings having been brought to life through these natural forces, who have their beginning and end on this earth. The fact that one Being is in control of the whole universe, Which, in accordance with Its wise plan, through Its will and omnipotence, has placed each one of the living creations, from the tiniest creature to the crown of creation, the human being.... on this earth for a specific purpose.... cannot be grasped by such uninformed people. They do not acknowledge such a Being and, therefore, will never regard the activity of natural elements as the manifestation of God's will. Those who are further away, who are not affected by it, don't pay any particular attention to such disasters; they only ever quote similar instances and thus quickly dismiss such events. And God must use increasingly more obvious means.... He must ever more quickly let one disaster follow another and have a serious effect on people if these phenomena are to make an impression. It is regrettable as to how seldom the suffering of fellow human beings triggers true sympathy.... and how habitually a hint from above is taken in. And so the signs will have to take on ever greater proportions are they to arouse people from their tranquillity. Only when their own lives are in danger will they attach importance to something, and thus much suffering and fear will still have to be people's fate.... and things will have to manifest themselves which draw people's attention to a will which cannot be resisted.... Yet even exceptionally unusual natural phenomena will be explained and accepted with the greatest of ease, because worldly scholars are instantly willing to give a completely natural explanation for everything people cannot understand, yet such an explanation will never refer to God's reign and activity and His will. They deem themselves superior to this and therefore have a completely misguided point of view which cannot be of any benefit to the people they are instructing. Many a person will still change his attitude and, therefore, will still have to make many sacrifices until he gains completely realisation, and in order to precipitate this, the Lord will now intervene more than ever by rattling and shaking the world so that all those living on it shall take note and pay attention to the divine voice, which informs them of God's will, of His omnipotence and wisdom, and anyone who looks upon every natural phenomenon and the turbulent reign of the elements in this sense, will recognise these as the voice of God and make an effort to always do what is right before God....

Amen

God's ways are not always people's ways....

B.D. No. 6993

December 14th 1957

Your ways are not always My ways.... You often don't know the goal when you start a journey but I know where your way is leading to and often gently push you into a different direction. And if you give in to My urging you will also safely reach the right goal. But often your resistance is too great, your own will is stronger, and you take no notice of the gentle urges which originate from Me. Then I will have to let you go because I won't forcibly break your will. And then you will be in danger

of losing the connection with Me, because it will not yet be tied firm enough and you will not have yet completely submitted yourselves to My guidance.

But you should not be surprised that your plans will often get shattered, that your intentions won't succeed, that the way you take will become difficult for you. All these are gentle indications that it is not the right way, and even then you could still stop short and diverge from this path and get onto the right track that promises greater success.... not in the earthly-material sense but which guarantees you **spiritual** success. My guidance is only guaranteed if your thoughts aim into My direction, and then you will also realise that every way was right, that you made progress even if you, at first, resisted taking these ways. But if you are purely earthly-minded you will surely walk into the wrong direction and should only ever be grateful if you are clearly prevented from continuing on this path. Yet the more worldly-minded a person is, the more eagerly he will try to overcome obstacles, he often pulls down all barriers, that is, he doesn't question whether what he does is right, and only tries to reach his goal which, however, is only a worldly directed one. And I must let such people have their own way, for their will is still too firmly focussed on My adversary to bow down to My will. But you humans will attain far greater benefits if you entrust yourselves to My leadership and then always let yourselves be guided without inner resistance....

A father has an overview of where his child is going and what dangers lie in wait for it and, in his love, tries to guide the child onto a path which is safe to take and will lead to the right goal. And like a good father I, too, Am concerned for every individual person's destiny and want his earthly path to become a blessing for him. But the human being often turns his attention into the wrong direction in the hope of finding something there which, however, will be detrimental for him. Although he retains his free will, his earthly way of life can nevertheless be directed by providence other than by that which he wishes for and wants, yet always for the benefit of his soul. Still, as long as the person complains and inwardly rebels against his destiny, this blessing will be small. Only when he surrenders in the realisation that it is determined by a higher will and that it is wrong to fight against it will he achieve a benefit for his soul. And the human being will often be able to observe such fated interventions by Me which should always make him think....

There is only One Who determines the human being's course of life, and he should learn to recognise His ways as good and right, he should always humbly bow down to his fate and know that a loving father is concerned for His child's well-being and that everything, even what is apparently unfavourable, is a blessing for the person if he does not offer resistance, if he lets himself be guided and also accepts events which the Father recognises to be right for His child and thus applies. And he should yield to every inner impulse urging him to act differently, for such inner stirrings are always My gentle voice by which I attract and call the child onto a different way, onto the way which will truly bear results and lead to the goal, to the right goal, to the purpose of his earthly life.

The human being's will often differs from My will, and thus his ways are not always My ways either.... But he will always have My love, and this only wants to save him, it wants to win him over for itself, and therefore it will also always guide the person such as is good for him, yet even My love will not force his will, for this is and remains free, because the human being shall completely freely decide in favour of his eternal Father....

Amen

Patiently bearing the cross.... 'Lord, Your will be done...'

B.D. No. 0648

October 31th 1938

Look within yourself and recognise your failings and appeal to the Lord for His help, then you will grow in strength and succeed in enduring all tests of life gently and with patience. After all, the Lord's will only sends these to you for your own advancement.... A person will rarely submit to the suffering imposed on him without grumbling, and yet precisely this is a willing submission to God's will, when the human being gladly and gratefully accepts all suffering from the Father's hand and so only ever acknowledges that whatever happens will be right for his soul's salvation. When the pain

increases, the Saviour is placing a small cross upon you which, for His sake, you should carry patiently. Such days will make the soul infinitely happy, for whatever is tolerantly carried by the body is removed from the soul and it will enter an increasingly more liberated state. The body's suffering is the soul's greatest help, and if the human being bears it gladly, the soul will be grateful for it and, in turn, will use every opportunity to help the body through inner suggestions which benefit the human being's earthly work. All suffering will only have an ennobling effect if it does not cause bitterness in the person against the One Who inflicts this suffering upon him, and thus it will only ever benefit the person's soul. And if the temptation is great to revolt against God's will, then remember the Lord's suffering on the cross.... How unspeakably painful was His death, and how humbly did the Saviour accept all suffering upon His shoulders out of love for the sinful human race. If you bear this in mind, then you will also gladly carry your small cross, for the Lord will not impose anything upon you that you are incapable of carrying. And the right love for the Saviour will sweeten your every suffering.... One day the significance of suffering will dawn on you and your soul will rejoice, if you were willing on earth and gained many merits through the bearing of suffering, which has an extraordinary effect in the spiritual world. Your lifetime on earth certainly burdens you with much which seems insurmountable to you at first, and thus you quarrel with God and want to object to His most sacred will; nevertheless, God's love will soon teach you otherwise.... it will let you realise that it is only in your best interest when He allows you to suffer, and your earthly existence will be richly rewarded if you have realised it. Therefore, always pray from the bottom of your heart 'Lord, Your will be done....' and your suffering will turn into joy.... and you will gratefully accept the reward which, one day in eternity, will compensate you for all the suffering on earth....

Amen

The fulfilment of prayer in firm belief.... 'Father, Your will be done...'

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You can obtain everything from Me, if you only believe in Me firmly and steadfastly.... For if you bear My greater than great love for you in mind you will also know that I will not leave any prayer unanswered. However, firm faith in Me also includes absolute trust in Me, it includes the certainty that I, in My wisdom, also recognise everything that is a blessing for you, and that I will not allow you to be harmed by granting you something that will not be beneficial for you. And this is why a profoundly devout human being will hand himself over to Me unconditionally, he will leave it up to Me what I choose to give to him, he will not demand but humbly present his requests to Me, always making My will most important and commending himself to My love and grace. And I will give to him abundantly; I will never let him go short physically and spiritually, for I will never close My ears to My child's prayer. If, however, I deny you the fulfilment of a request then don't doubt My love anyway, for it is precisely My love which wants to protect you from harm. And you, yourselves, are not always able to recognise the effect of a fulfilled request. Therefore, present your wishes to Me trustingly and leave everything else to Me, and My love will consider you such that your path to Me will run smoothly, so that you will safely reach your goal, so that you will return as My children into the Father's house in order to live a blissful life in eternity. Yet always and forever make use of the strength of prayer, call upon Me in every situation in life, come to Me if you are in difficulty and also think of Me in hours of peace and quiet.

Don't forget Me so that I will not forget you either, and establish contact with Me quite often through heartfelt prayer, and thereby constantly call Me close to you, then strength without measure will flow to you, if you look for Me of your own free will, if your thoughts apply to Me and your heart is urging towards Me. You have to find the way to Me yourselves and therefore enter the bridge which I have established for you from earth to Me.... You have to pray, for in prayer your soul is rising into the spheres of light, in prayer you enter the bridge to Me, in prayer the child steps in front of the Father, it establishes the relationship of a child to its Father, as it is My will. And if I Am called upon as Father when a childlike heart is beating for Me I will answer every beseeching request, for I will not disappoint My children who come to Me in complete trust. And My love will express itself to them,

My love will hand out gifts in abundance, My love will take care of the child spiritually and earthly, and it will never ever again have to suffer adversity if its appeal to Me is truly childlike, that is, if it sends its prayer to Me in spirit and in truth.

You all should make use of the grace of prayer, for you are able to achieve everything in firm, living faith in Me and My love.... Yet don't demand and complain or grumble if I seemingly won't grant your prayer, for then My Fatherly love knows that the fulfilment of your prayer will only cause you harm, and in order to protect you from this it will deny itself.... Yet anyone who always submits his will to Mine will never be disappointed, for his is the true prayer which is pleasing to Me if he adds to all his requests 'Father, Your will be done....'

Amen

Give us today our daily bread.

'I Am the bread of life, the manna which comes down from Heaven....'

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April 11th 1958

Don't be satisfied by merely feeding yourselves in an earthly way, by providing the body with the bread you require in order to live, rather desire the bread of heaven instead, which is nourishment for your soul.... And believe Me, in an emergency the latter will also be able to maintain the body, but the former will never serve the soul in its higher development.... This is why I have said 'I Am the bread of life, the manna which comes down from Heaven....' For if you digest Me Myself.... My Word.... you will live in eternity. Yet your body will cease to exist even if you constantly feed it with earthly food. It is given its time, and when this is over no earthly nourishment will help in order to keep it alive. For this reason you should be more concerned with bestowing life to your soul, you should incessantly feed it with the bread of Heaven, you should make the nourishment available to it, which can only be offered to it from Me. Therefore, you should approach Me directly and appeal to Me for true nourishment and true refreshment. And always remember My Words 'Therefore take no thought, saying, what shall we eat or what shall we drink....but seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you....' If only people believed this promise.... However, all their thoughts and intentions are purely earthly-inclined and yet, no person can extend his body's life for even an hour if My will has decided otherwise. But neither can a person give life to his soul if he lets it go hungry, if it remains without food and drink for the sake of the body. But since you humans know that the body needs food in order to live, you become guilty if you don't provide for the soul as well, which cannot cease to exist; you become guilty because I approach you time and again offering food for your soul.... because you are repeatedly addressed by My messengers and need only listen to them and live up to their words in order to provide Me with the opportunity to nourish and refresh you spiritually for the benefit of your soul. Time and again My Word is made accessible to you, time and again you are requested to enter into contact with Me, you are invited to a feast and can come to My table at any time and thus accept nourishment from Me for your soul.... For My Word is the heavenly bread, it is the living water, My Word is flesh and blood.... Only My Word is the right food for your soul which will help it attain the life it will never lose again.... And because you so scarcely satisfy your soul's needs, you will also have to suffer physical adversity, the time will come when you, too, will lack in that which you require for your earthly life, if My adversary does not provide enough for you that you will forget about your soul.... But if you have not utterly fallen prey to him as yet, the tangible earthly adversity could still prompt you to turn to Me and appeal to Me to revoke the latter, and then your soul can be nourished at the same time, because every bond with Me will provide strength for the soul, which will thus signify being spiritually fed. The bread of Heaven is indispensable, and from the fact that I described Myself as the 'bread of life' it is evident that you must come close to Me Myself, that I want to give Myself away, because I would like to give life to your soul.... And you truly need not walk far in order to be with Me, you need only enter into silence and turn your thoughts to **Me**, then you will draw Me to yourselves, you oblige Me to offer you My gifts, to offer you nourishment and refreshment, for as soon as you make mental contact with Me during silent prayer you will also open your heart, so that I Myself can enter, and then you will truly not need to go hungry anymore. And I will not only nourish you spiritually but also in an earthly way, for this is the promise I made and I will keep My Word 'But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and His righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you....'

Amen

Immense strength will permeate you if you accept My Word with faith in Me and with love, if you want to hear Me and faithfully receive My Word. Then you will effectively force Me to be present to you, and My presence must also emanate strength, and although it is only felt beneficially by your soul, it is exceedingly grateful for it. Once a person accepts My Word consciously, the separation from him to Me will have been overcome, since hearing My voice is also the evidence of My presence. His will and desire to hear Me is sufficient for Me to be inclined towards him and speak to him in any form, in Word or scripture, directly or through messengers or also in spiritual conversations.... I will always reveal Myself to the one who wants to hear Me. Therefore you humans have a reliable means of eliminating the separation from Me by withdrawing into silence or by engrossing yourselves in a book containing My Word and when you thereby acknowledge Me as a Being you wish to be close to. Then you will inevitably draw Me close to you, for I perceive every heartfelt wish and will grant it. Nevertheless, My Word will remain lifeless for you if you merely read it without sincerely desiring Me.... For this reason, not everyone will draw the **same** strength from My Word; this is why it may greatly strengthen one person whilst another will not feel any effect at all, because his heart remained indifferent while his eyes and ears accepted My Word. You yourselves determine the effect of My Word, you can take possession of an abundance of strength or give sparsely to your soul, depending on your heart's degree of desire, for you either accept Me and allow Me to be present or you close the door to your heart and deny Me entrance, even if I knock at your door and wish to come in. For I often come to meet you by Myself if you do not draw Me to you through your desire.... I offer you an exquisite gift indeed, because I Myself would gladly like to speak to you; nevertheless, I will not force My gift on someone who does not want it, but once a person has felt the strength of My Word his soul will constantly long for it. He will never let Me bypass him but accept Me in his heart instead, so that I will remain there and constantly refresh the soul.... And so it will never need to go hungry and live in want, it will always be replenished with My Word and receive strength without limitation....

Amen

Offering the heavenly bread to souls in the beyond....

Generously distribute My gifts you receive in abundance through My love.... I give plenty to everyone who is willing to receive.... yet only in order that he will dispense it again to the needy who do not come to Me Myself in their adversity but whom I want to help through you. There is great hunger for spiritual nourishment, although you will find few people on earth longing for it; nevertheless, not the slightest morsel will be lost if you distribute the bread of heaven.... needy souls in the beyond will receive it with a ravenous appetite, and that shall encourage you to carry out your loving activity of soothing the spiritual adversity ever more eagerly, for since you receive much you can also give much.... If you knew how closely connected the spiritual realm and its inhabitants are with the Earth and you humans.... if you knew how many souls surround you, you would also look upon your every thought, word and action from the point of view that you are constantly observed by them and that you also have a certain responsibility towards these souls.... to be a good example for them and to thereby make it easier for them to progress, if they are still lingering in the lower spheres. And this particularly applies to your conversations which.... if they concern spiritual subjects.... can be tremendously beneficial for these souls. So if the contents of My Word is the subject of your conversation, you will attract many famished souls which will then be offered exquisite bread from heaven, you will provide them with the nourishing sustenance they are in dire need of in their still wretched state. No word bypasses the souls in the beyond unheeded and affects these souls far more deeply, because they share everything they receive.... for the strength of My Word has this effect, and thus My Word attracts endless attention and favourably affects countless souls. But the adversity in the spiritual realm is certainly endless as well, for every day souls arrive there in a sorry state because they are still far too attached to the material world, they did not acquire spiritual supplies on earth and

thus arrive in the beyond poverty stricken and depend on help if they don't want to descend further... You humans can help these souls by conveying My Word to them, which alone can protect them from falling into the abyss.... They look for help where a light is shining and also feel the strength flowing to them from My Word, because these souls cannot be saved by any other means than to accept My Gospel of love, which you should present to them wherever and whenever it is possible for you.... I distribute abundantly so that you can give to those who are in need.... so that you can give sustenance to the hungry whom your love wants to provide for....

Amen

Spiritual nourishment at the table of the Lord....

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October 13th 1959

You should accept much spiritual bread, for the time of drought is yet to come, when it will be impossible for you to establish a heartfelt bond with Me for a longer length of time, when you may consider yourselves fortunate if your thoughts can stay with Me briefly, and when, during intimate composure, you will find it difficult to listen to My Words. Then these short thoughts must be enough to permeate you with strength, which I will not deny you.... However, as long as it is still possible you should use your time well and let yourselves be nourished and refreshed as often as possible. I only give you this good advice in order to strengthen you for the forthcoming time, for it will require much strength, which you can only receive with My Word. If your soul is nourished with bread and wine, it will also be resistant to all threatening challenges. I Am at all times ready to provide it with this nourishing food, I Am always ready to speak with My children and to advise them, to admonish and to warn them, for I only want what is best for My Own, and I will always guide them such that they can feed themselves at My table at all times. And you should avail yourselves of this.... You should often lend Me your ear, you should open your hearts to Me, you should open the door of your heart wide so that I can enter My house.... and you should prepare this house for Me, which can only happen if you serve each other with love, if you accept My Word and live up to it, if you therefore enjoy the nourishment and refreshment and become suitable for the work of improving your soul by living according to My will, hence, if you are not just listeners but doers of My Word. Having thus opened up a spring for you from which the water of life flows forth, you should also bend down frequently and drink from this spring, and all of you will feel noticeably strengthened, you will be able to continue your earthly pilgrimage with greater ease, the burden of life will not oppress you so much if you progress in a strong and healthy state and withdraw this strength and health from the nourishment I Myself offer to you time and again.... All of you should come to the spring and take a rest, and collect new strength again, and also distribute this nourishment to those who are in need of it and who, tired and exhausted, sink down to the spring in order to refresh themselves.... Draw the water of life for them and offer it to them, and you will be blessed for it. And attract wayfarers to the spring, invite them to take a break and strengthen themselves before they continue on their way, which will always require new strength until the pilgrimage is over.... None of you need to be weak, you can always ask for new strength, you can always fetch nourishment from My table anew and need not be afraid that I will be miserly or ever deny you food.... I Am always willing to give plenty, and you should make use of it and also demand an abundance.... You will receive it, and it will always be in your best interest. Eat and drink the bread and wine of life.... I Myself offer you the nourishment and the cup for your soul, but do not bypass it carelessly, trusting that your own strength is enough for your pilgrimage.... The path of ascent is steep and cannot be covered without an influx of strength. Always remember this and therefore take a rest wherever you find a spring which My love made accessible for you. The time will come when you will be hindered by My adversary's deceitfulness, then you shall have enough supply, then divine strength shall permeate you by merely sending a silent thought to Me, for I will not abandon My Own, I will nourish and refresh them in a spiritual and earthly way, even if it seems impossible to you.... For My love for you and My power are boundless....

Amen

And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.

Original sin and atonement through Jesus Christ....

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In My great mercy for you I accomplished the act of Salvation in Jesus, the human being.... That which I had externalised had sinned against Me and only a small proportion of the created beings remained with Me when the decision of will, which I demanded in order to make the created beings immeasurably happy, had to be taken. They wanted to behold Me, and since this was impossible.... because the beings would have ceased to exist had they beheld the huge abundance of light.... they turned towards the one they were able to see, whom I externalised as the first spirit from Myself in My image.... However, the beings were not lacking realisation and therefore aware that they had emerged from Me, yet despite this they turned away from Me and towards the former, which was the immense sin that plunged them into a bottomless abyss.... But their condition aroused My pity, I felt sorry for the beings which My adversary.... the first fallen spirit.... kept under his control in a completely unenlightened state and whose exceedingly wretched situation would never ever have changed had I not granted them My mercy.... This was the result of the love which had once created those beings and which therefore also followed them into the abyss.... My infinite love did not abandon the fallen beings, which belonged to Me as well. For they had emerged from My strength, which incessantly flowed to My first-created being.... Lucifer.... and enabled him to create countless beings.... Therefore, these beings belonged to Me, too, however, they had become sinful of their own free will, they had voluntarily followed My present 'adversary'.... Nevertheless, the fate of these fallen beings aroused My pity, I wanted to provide them with the opportunity of working their way up from below until they could reach a state of free will again in order to take another test of will as to which Lord they wanted to belong to. But as a result of rejecting My strength of love, the beings had become so weak that even when I returned free will to them after an infinitely long time they still failed their test of will.... And this weakness of the beings aroused My mercy and I was determined to accomplish the act of Salvation in order to convey strength to the weak, which was acquired through the atonement of the past guilt.... through the agonising death on the cross.... I felt such overwhelming compassion for the fallen beings that I was willing to take the sins upon Me and to exonerate them. But since I was unable to suffer as God, the work of redemption had to happen in a human being Who, for love of his fellow human beings, agreed to atone for them, and Who crowned His act of love with an extremely agonising death on the cross.... The actual Redeemer of the guilt was the **love** in Jesus, the human being, and I Myself was this love.... I Myself was overwhelmingly powerful in Jesus, the human being, I was able to use My strength in Him to full effect, His every action was determined by love, and thus 'Love' accomplished the act of Salvation, It merely harboured within a human shell which took this superhuman suffering upon itself....

'**Love**' took pity upon humanity and redeemed the immense guilt of sin which caused the fallen spiritual beings such wretchedness.... **Love** had mercy and opened the path again which led back into the Father's house.... Only **Love** was able to redress God's righteousness, for this could not be ignored since it is part of My nature, otherwise My perfection would be questionable. And for the sake of righteousness the immense guilt had to be redeemed so that it would be possible for Me to accept My living creations into My kingdom of light and bliss again And thus a way was found.... 'Love' sheltered within a human being Who was **capable** of suffering and Who, because of love, was **willing** to take the immense guilt upon Himself and suffer immeasurably for it and finally die the most bitter death on the cross.... Jesus, the man, walked this path to the cross, He sheltered the **Love** in Himself which I Am for all eternity.... Only in this way was it possible to redeem the immense guilt. Only great

mercy motivated Me into personally taking care of My living creations which were wretched beyond all measure and who, without help, would never have been able to release themselves from My adversary's power. Since they had followed him into the abyss voluntarily, he was entitled to these beings. I do not deny him this right but these beings also belong to Me, and therefore I fight for them and help them to reinforce their will so that they try to release themselves and indeed are able to do so through the blessings acquired on the cross. Jesus, the human being, accepted Me Myself within Himself.... Through His life of love He so shaped Himself that I Myself, the Eternal Love, was able to take abode in Him.... that I so completely permeated Him that He only wanted and did what 'Love' demanded of Him.... so that I Myself therefore carried out the act of Salvation, because Jesus, the human being, had utterly entered into My will. For He and I were One, He was 'God' in all fullness, and only His external shell was 'human' for the eyes of His fellow human beings.... But even this external shell had spiritualised itself, it merely continued to be 'human' until the act of Salvation was accomplished.... For only Jesus, the **human being**, was able to **suffer**, and His suffering and pain were indescribable because the guilt He had taken upon His shoulders in order to atone for it was also indescribable. So now every human being can release himself from his guilt if he acknowledges Me Myself in Jesus Christ and accepts the blessing of the act of Salvation.... if he believes in Him and also that I died in Him for you in order to set you free....

Amen

Retribution - Atonement and educational means.... Approval of committing an evil deed is sin....

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June 30th 1942

Every wrongdoing will generally result in just punishment on earth already, so that the human being can learn to recognise the wrongdoing by this alone. For as soon as he must suffer what he has done to others, he will become conscious of his guilt and might feel despicable about himself. Therefore this punishment is atonement and educational means at the same time and can entail a double blessing. According to divine justice every wrongdoing must be atoned for, consequently it would have to be atoned for in the beyond if it is not recognised and regretted on earth and if it has not found God's forgiveness. The battle for supremacy, for power, honour and esteem lets humanity nowadays use means which can never be approved of, and thus it amasses guilt upon guilt, which it must also rightfully atone for in earthly life, if it is not to endure indescribable suffering in the beyond as a result. And this is likewise a cause for the distress which is presently happening on earth. With every approval of an evil deed the human being becomes complicit in it.... Thus he does not recognise his wrongdoing as yet and must therefore endure the same suffering in order to become aware of it. For not only the accomplished deed is sin, but also the approval of it, as this betrays the person's attitude, his instinct for wicked deeds. This also explains why so many people are affected by adversity and destitution even though they are not the implementers of despicable deeds.... However, as long as they do not see any wrong in them, their disposition is not virtuous; consequently they must be educated and experience the results or effect of evil deeds for themselves. In this case the will counts as an accomplished deed and leads to retribution which, at the same time, is an educational means in order to make people stop and think about the iniquity of their actions and to change their thinking accordingly. For each evil deed gives birth to constantly new evil deeds, and these result in increasingly worse suffering as just punishment....

Amen

The burden of sin in the beyond.... Atonement or forgiveness....

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October 20th 1946

Every sin you commit against other people and thus also against Me, Who gave you the commandment of love, becomes a burden to you. And your sins will be a heavy burden to you in the beyond if you don't make

Amends for them on earth already. Therefore, do not believe that you are not punished when you sin against other people; do not believe that there is no fair judge because He does not appear to you straight away. And do not believe that you are without guilt because other people do the same to you and disregard My commandment of love.... You dull your conscience but it does not diminish the extent of your guilt since your intellect remains active and knows full well the difference between right and wrong. And your will is not forced to think and behave as you do, thus you are responsible yourselves and you burden yourselves tremendously when you accumulate one sin after another when you harm another person, when you pursue him and act with unashamed unkindness, instead of supporting him in his adversity by helping him and thus loving him unselfishly, which alone is pleasing before My eyes. You submit yourselves to the power of Satan who controls your souls in accordance with his will, who pulls you into disaster and who, as reward for your willingness, merely gives you the feeling of a temporary improvement of your earthly living conditions.

But how can this benefit your souls? Do not exceed the amount of your sins because your future remorse will be dreadful.... Believe in a righteous God Who will hold you to account for all your deeds and ask Him for forgiveness of your guilt, pray to Him for the reinforcement of your will to do good, for the strength to do kind deeds.... muster the will to be good and you will receive help, you will be able to save yourselves from the mire of sin, you will already find forgiveness on earth and mercy before My eyes.... But do not disregard Him Who gave life to you, do not deny Him righteousness, and become aware of your sins, do not offend against the commandment of love which I Myself gave to you for the benefit of your souls. Have mercy on the weak and sick and you will find mercy with Me, ease their suffering and I will always be ready to help when you are in need.... For as you do to others I will do to you on the Day of Judgment, which is close at hand. Do not sin, so that the amount of your sins will not increase, so that the burden of your sins won't push you down and you cannot find mercy anymore on the Day of Judgment. For I know of every injustice, nothing is hidden from My eyes, you will have to give account for every thought and deed and woe unto him who is struck by My Judgment, who will feel My justice when his sins become revealed. His penance will be hard but appropriate to his guilt for I Am a fair judge even if My patience and mercy are without end.... But there is a limit to what you may do, and when you overstep this limit the hour of judgment will have come which will demand justice for all sins as it is proclaimed in Word and Scripture....

Amen

'Forgive us our trespasses....'

B.D. No. 5428

July 4th 1952

Forgive each other as I forgive you.... You humans still let enmity reign far too often, you are still unable to love your enemies and forgive their sin, you are still angry with them and don't wish them well, even if you wish them no evil you don't exercise patience and are quick-tempered if you are being offended.... and are therefore still far from living as followers of Jesus.... Love has not yet become powerful enough in you as to leave no further room for hostile thoughts.... You don't see the brother in your neighbour otherwise you would forgive him and not take the offence quite so seriously. And yet I Am supposed to forgive you your trespasses.... after all, you act just as hostile towards Me otherwise you would be without guilt.... My love for you is greater than great, and your sincere prayer for forgiveness of your sin will release you from it. And yet, if you want to achieve My forgiveness, I require you to fulfil the condition that you, too, will forgive those who trespass against you.... I expect this because you should, after all, firmly resolve not to sin again.... and in order to make this resolve you must also love your neighbour who has sinned against you....

You should love your neighbour as yourself.... You should not hold any sin against him, for every hostile thought is unsuitable to awaken reciprocated love, whereas the love you give to your enemy will also awaken positive feelings in him.... Every unpleasant thought towards a person is picked up by evil forces and transferred onto the latter, and this cannot have any good results because evil only

ever begets evil and therefore only evil will be returned, which rapidly increases the strength of evil and thus has a negative effect. You, however, should meet evil with kindness in order to weaken and change evil into good.... You should transmit positive thoughts and wish even to your enemies only good because thereby you disperse evil forces, because good thoughts have a redeeming effect, thus they pacify resentment and hatred, awaken positive feelings in turn and are even capable of changing an enemy into a friend, because strength of love always has a positive effect. Therefore you shall only find My forgiveness if you have also forgiven your debtors, for how can I possibly show you clemency if you still judge harshly and have enemies because you maintain the enmity yourselves? If My love forgives you your trespasses then your love should also make allowances.... Think kindly of your enemies, forgive those who have offended you, and always let the love in you be the judge, and this will surely want to forgive, for wherever love exists no feelings of hatred and vengeance can prevail, where love exists that is where I Am Myself and I truly don't judge unkindly, I forgive you your trespasses as you forgive those who trespass against you....

Amen

Forgiveness through Jesus Christ... Degree of light and love....

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July 30th 1960

And you will enter eternal peace, for all adversity will have ceased to exist, all worries and anguish will be over, you will be surrounded by an abundance of light and your life will be a blissfully happy one.... Nevertheless, you must have attained maturity of soul, all guilt of sin must have been taken from you, you must have become My Own during your life on earth and have returned to the Father from Whom you once came forth. Hence, you must have found redemption through Jesus Christ, otherwise you would still not be free from the guilt of sin and your entrance to the kingdom of light and bliss would be closed for you. Therefore you should strive to find forgiveness of the guilt of sin while you are still living on earth. Try.... if you still can't believe in Him as yet.... to find clarification about Jesus, the Son of God and Redeemer of the world. And appeal to Me Myself for conveying this clarification to you so that you can believe in Him with a living faith and subsequently step under His cross with your burden of sin and ask Him for forgiveness.... And all guilt will be taken from you. This will ensure your entrance into the kingdom of light, because Jesus Christ had paid for your guilt with His death on the cross. However, the degrees of light after your death can be quite different, for it depends on your soul's state of maturity as to how light-receptive it has become on earth.... It depends on your way of life on earth and to what extent you lived up to My will.... that is, whether the commandments of love for God and your neighbour had become your guideline for your conduct and you had changed your nature into love. Only the degree of love determines your soul's maturity. And no-one can practise love on your behalf, love is the law of eternal order in which you must live in order to adapt to your fundamental nature again, in order to become My image once more according to your purpose. And to become love means to discard all faults and flaws which still adhere to your soul, to fight against all low cravings, to shape your nature into humility, gentleness, peacefulness, mercy, righteousness and patience.... to dispose of all bad habits and to always remain in heartfelt contact with Me, Whom you acknowledge in Jesus Christ as your Father of eternity. You must fight against all faults during your life on earth, then your soul will become as translucent as a diamond and able to receive the rays of light which signify its beatitude in the spiritual kingdom. Then it will live forever, it will not know death anymore, no sin and no blemish.... it will be pure and clear and thus also worthy of My presence, and it will be able to behold Me face to face.... For it will see its Saviour Jesus Christ, in Whom I made Myself visible to My living creations, just as they once desired.... Shaping yourselves into love must be accomplished by you humans on earth yourselves, if you want to be inconceivably happy one day. Yet first take care to dispose of your burden of sin, for this will draw you down, and being burdened by sin prevents you from entering the kingdom of light. If you find it difficult to believe in Jesus Christ then try to pray to your God and Creator Who called you into life and appeal to Him for enlightenment and for His help to believe.... And I will truly grant you this prayer, I will not leave those in ignorance who desire to

know, and I will present the truth to him such that he will be able to accept it.... For faith in Jesus Christ as the Son of God and Redeemer of the world is absolutely essential in order to be accepted into the kingdom of peace and bliss. Only then will you acknowledge Me, Whom you once refused to acknowledge, from Whom you once separated of your own free will and fell into the abyss.... You must want to return to Me voluntarily, and you can make this will known by turning to Jesus Christ and admitting your guilt of sin with an appeal for forgiveness.... Then your sins will be forgiven, I Myself, Who accomplished the act of Salvation in Jesus, the man, will absolve you from them, and I will also help you to attain maturity while you are still on earth, providing you want to unite yourselves with Me, to return to Me voluntarily and to shape yourselves again as you were in the beginning....

Amen

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

The adversary's temptations by means of worldly enticements....

B.D. No. 7315

March 24th 1959

If you are craving the world and its pleasures then you will know that you are approached by the tempter who wants to win you over again for the world which you endeavour to escape from. The realm of earthly joy and pleasure is his domain and he truly governs it in a way that many people fall prey to it, for they all crave earthly and physical joys and pleasures and they will all get what they want if they pay homage to the world and accept all enticements he presents before their eyes. He cannot beguile people by any other means than through the world, for once they have chosen the spiritual kingdom they will truly not comply with his will and turn their thoughts towards him.... In that case, however, he will come to meet them through the world and its attractions and a person must be very strong-willed indeed in order to resist the temptations.... Therefore, take note that when you seek to gain worldly pleasures you are at risk of succumbing to his artful temptations and forearm yourselves to resist him. Turn your attention towards the spiritual world again with increased vigour; hold yourselves to account as to what extent you bear up against such temptations, which you can be certain to be the adversary's work who wants to turn you against God and His kingdom and therefore will not shy away from using any means to achieve this goal. Admittedly, he will not be able to achieve much with a serious aspirant apart from the fact that the human being fulfils the requirements of life he has to fulfil, since he lives in the midst of the world and should prove himself in it. Nevertheless, the decisive factor remains the feeling of the heart, for it shall not allow itself to be captivated by desiring earthly joys and pleasures, since it depends on the heart's desire as to how far the human being will distance himself from the spiritual kingdom and return to the earthly world again. The temptations by God's adversary will not stop, he will also fight for the souls he is in danger of losing until the end, he will not let up until the end from pushing the spiritual kingdom aside in favour of the material world, and thus the soul must remain determined and resist. And the more progress it has made in its striving, the easier it can defend itself and the lesser will be the risk of complying with his will again, for the spiritual kingdom will also captivate the soul and not let go of it again, if its will is inclined towards God and thus no longer belongs to the adversary but releases itself increasingly more from him.... Then the human being will no longer be affected by temptations, the world will have lost its attraction and only the spiritual kingdom will be desirable for him, the unity with God will be the soul's only and highest goal and it will certainly attain this goal....

Amen

'Watch and pray, lest ye enter into temptation....'

B.D. No. 4662

June 9th 1949

You should be vigilant and pray, so that you will not fall when you are being tempted.... My adversary's onslaught against those of you who want to remain faithful to Me will be relentless in order to estrange you from Me. He uses all means and not least of all those which intend to disable you from establishing contact with Me, so that he will have an easy game as soon as you are weak. He lies in wait for opportunities to cause your downfall and only someone with a strong will, someone who is able to send a thought up to Me for help will not succumb to him. Call upon Me in every adversity of body and soul.... this is what I call pray and watch.... direct your thoughts upwards where he cannot follow you and you will safely escape from him and place yourselves under My protection. He will try to shackle you to earth with all his might, to that which is his share and which belongs to his realm.... he will want you to abscond from Me, from spiritual striving, he will cause you to doubt

and want to confuse your thoughts through adversities and dreads, so that you won't find your way back to Me, so that you will engross yourselves in earthly things and forget about Me.... Watch and pray.... and detach yourselves from the one who is My adversary, and attach yourselves increasingly more to Me, Who is your eternal Father and Who can truly offer you more magnificent things than he can.... Watch and pray, for you are constantly surrounded by the tempter trying to catch you. A vigilant person will be able to recognise and escape from him.... And be joyful and happy in knowing that I Am your constant Protector Whom you can turn to when you are threatened by danger, for I hear the faintest call coming from your heart and will support you so that you will be victorious in your battle against him. But anyone who places too much trust in his own strength and believes that he can do without My help will succumb, for he is overestimating himself and failing to consider that the adversary's strength is greater than his. You will win with Me but succumb without Me and fall prey to every temptation. But to walk with Me means to allow My presence through prayer and kind-hearted activity.... Then you are protected against all incursions by the enemy, then he will be powerless against you, for then he would have to fight against Me and I Am far more powerful than he is. Watch and pray, then he will have lost his target, he will avoid you, because then you will be surrounded by light which emanates My presence and that is intolerable to him.... Call upon Me in every temptation and I will always be with you....

Amen

And lead us through the temptation....

B.D. No. 3257

September 16th 1944

You should always pray.... And lead us through the temptation.... when the world tries to discourage you from your spiritual striving and you are at risk of succumbing to its attractions. Since this temptation comes upon you in order to strengthen your will, you will always be subject to this temptation in order to demonstrate your will and you will always be successful if you take refuge in God's protection, if you call upon Him for the strength to resist. Time and again the opponent will attempt to alienate you from God, and his ways of doing so are dangerous, because they appeal to people's senses and therefore the soul will always have to fight in order to resist him. Nevertheless, God's help is assured to you if you confide in Him and appeal for His guidance....

Amen

Psychic beings.... 'Deliver us from evil....'

B.D. No. 4341

June 18th 1948

Direct communication with the spiritual kingdom can only take place when spiritual forces are called upon in thought or in prayer. This is why the transfer of spiritual information is always an act of free will if beneficial forces are to be effective, whereas harmful forces aim to deactivate the human being's will in order to impose their inclination of will on him, which happens when a person surrenders his will, thus when he, in an unconscious state, hands himself over to beings which are far removed from the truth. Hence, it is advisable for a person who is afflicted by dark forces to commend himself in a conscious state to God's love and grace, to appeal to Him for His protection and support against the beings pestering him and to call upon the spirits of light to take special care of him and to stay close to him. This call for the benign beings entitles them to help him, which will subsequently leave the dark forces powerless. Human will is too weak to offer resistance in the case of psychically inclined people, i.e., those who open themselves to the world of the beyond and its influences, who therefore feel themselves attracted to invisible beings. The forces of darkness particularly exert their influence on the body, taking possession of it as soon as the human being's will relinquishes its resistance. However, the body's appropriation results in the fact that the human being's thinking ability slows down, that the person finds himself in a dream state and instead of voicing his own thoughts he expresses those of the occupying force corresponding to this spiritual being's way of speaking. Thus, a different soul has effectively taken over the body, whilst the person's own soul sleeps and even

afterwards, in a conscious state, cannot remember anything that the person had said or done. Since the spiritual forces are stronger than him, the person will not be held to account during this time, nevertheless he should protect himself from this exploitation by dark forces by handing himself over to benevolent beings as well as to God Himself, by constantly praying 'Deliver us from evil...!' For it is evil if a human being is controlled by those spiritual forces so that his thoughts and actions are no longer his own but are transferred onto him by a strong-willed power. Wicked forces must always be resisted, for they are constantly close and trying to make the most of every opportunity, which presents itself when the human being, mentally seeking the spiritual kingdom, has not established a bond with God first and thus is without protection if he is harassed by the forces of darkness. Calling upon Jesus Christ against the enemy of the souls must always precede every spiritual contact, then a person need not be afraid of falling into the hands of evil forces, for countless beings of light hear the call and come quickly in order to protect and teach. This prevents the approach by evil forces, because the name of Jesus Christ will banish all beings opposed to Him, just as He will give increased strength to those who are in favour of Him and voice His name with deep devotion.

Amen

'Deliver us from evil...'

B.D. No. 4985

October 19th 1950

Deliver us from evil.... You are often approached by temptations which are indeed permitted by Me but which are always My adversary's activity, because he also fights for every soul and therefore tries to influence the human being to oppose Me, thus to encourage him to sin. These temptations are always an obstacle for the human being which can make him fall, yet I, too, won't leave him without grace as a countermeasure against Satan. I, too, will come forward, distinctly and recognisably, when the human being is facing a crucial decision, when he is pushed off the right path by My adversary's cunning and is still uncertain. Then a short quick prayer is enough, a thought to Me: Deliver us from evil.... I will clearly step forward by revealing the right path to him, and I will show him the darkness of the other path he was in danger of taking.... I will assist every person who merely sends a questioning and imploring thought to Me. I will certainly allow temptations to take place, for the adversary is also entitled to exert his influence, after all, it concerns the free decision of will, and for this the human being must be subjected to both influences, the good as well as the evil. Yet he need not succumb defencelessly, he will always be able to give resistance, because I will help him once he has taken the path to Me. And then I will show him very clearly which power wants to harm him.... I want to deliver you humans from all evil, I want to liberate you from the control of the one who caused your constrained state, it is My will that you shall become happy, that you shall no longer feel pressurised by the one who intends to ruin you, who entices you to fall and who spares no means in doing so. He will even appear to you as an angel of light if he thinks that this will be successful, he wants to possess you and uses cunning and trickery. And yet he will find his Master in Me, for once a soul has chosen Me it will never again fall prey to him. But woe to the person who is enslaved by him.... For he will hold him tightly until the latter beseeches Me for help, which will surely be granted to him. Deliver us from evil.... Often voice these words in your heart and you will always feel My help, for with this appeal you testify to Me, because you call upon Me to help you against the one who is My adversary and your enemy....

Amen

The heart as God's abode....

B.D. No. 5373

April 23rd 1952

Your heart shall become an abode for Me, you should prepare it such that I can take up residence in it and remain with you forever. Cleanse it from all ungodly things for I want to reign in you alone, for only when you have completely removed all other influences and belong to Me alone can you become aware of My love. I want to dwell in you and look after you in every way, I want to direct

and guide you, I want to educate you and motivate you to be lovingly active.... My spirit wants to be effective in you so that you will become eternally happy.... And thus you know what is expected of you in order to become happy.... constantly dispose of impurities so that your heart will become a dwelling place for Me.... Look within yourselves and seriously examine yourselves as to whether bad habits and flaws make your heart unworthy of accepting Me Myself in it; make a firm decision to fight against them and, above all, appeal for My help so that you will not be defeated in this battle, that bad habits and flaws will not cause your downfall and thereby deprive you of My presence in you.... You must ask for My assistance because you are too weak to fight evil on your own. Without Me you cannot achieve anything, but with My help you can accomplish whatever you want. My adversary will take advantage of your weak will and you will truly be at his mercy if I don't help you in your weakness. Hence you must remain in constant prayer for help against your enemy's influence, and this prayer will truly provide you with the strength to liberate yourselves from him. I will face him Myself and he will take flight from Me, he will certainly return with a large crowd of sinister characters as soon as you show your weakness, yet he will no longer be able to dominate you, I will prevent him from influencing you as long as you yearn for Me and My love, as long as you wish that I Myself will remain in you. And so you should always pray 'Lead us through the temptation and deliver us from evil....' You should always call upon Me and, through this call, testify to your desire for My presence, and no call concerning your salvation of soul will bypass My ear unheeded. Then I will be able to be and remain in you, then My spirit will be able to work in you, it will bring you light and in this light you can never go astray again, in this light you will also always recognise when you are approached by something hostile and subsequently it with a reliable weapon.... You will be able to confront it with My strength which defeats everything, for then I Myself will live in you and govern you for all eternity....

Amen

Whatever you ask the Father in My name.... '

B.D. No. 6374

October 10th 1955

And you will truly receive whatever you ask for in My name.... You have to call upon Me in Jesus Christ.... Only someone who acknowledges Me, the divine Redeemer Jesus Christ, who recognises his God and Father in Him and thus prays to the 'Father', will find his request granted, for he will be guided by My spirit to the One from Whom he once originated.... Whoever does **not** acknowledge Jesus, the Son of Man, as the heavenly Father's representative.... whoever does **not** believe that I embodied Myself in Jesus the human being, will not send a prayer to Me in complete trust either.... even if he doesn't deny a 'God', but instead his belief in a God and Creator was purely acquired and did not come **alive** in him.... For a **living** faith is the result of love, but love also acknowledges Jesus Christ as God's Son and Redeemer of the world, Who merged with His Father of eternity.... Thus he will no longer separate the Redeemer Jesus Christ from the Eternal Deity, he will have been enlightened by his spirit that He and I are one.... And his prayer will always be granted, for he will only ever request something I can give to him without damaging his soul....

You humans will only be able to understand the true meaning of My Words if My spirit can work in you.... My spirit, however, can only work in you if you allow it to do so, if you, through a life of love, provide it with the opportunity to express itself to you.... But then you will accept My Word as if it was directly spoken to you, for then I will address My children and with My Word will also simultaneously give them the understanding for it.... And then you will be able to consider yourselves blessed, for your soul will receive light.... it will begin to understand, it will mature, for then you will also do everything I ask of you. You will comply with My will and shape yourselves increasingly more into love, and your soul will perfect itself while it is still on earth....

Call upon Me in Jesus Christ and first of all pray to achieve this perfection on earth.... And truly, you will not make this prayer to Me in vain.... For hearing a spiritual request is most pleasing to Me, a spiritual request will be fulfilled, because the Father won't deny His child anything and because the

human being already demonstrates his childship by appealing to Me for help to become perfect.... And always pray that you become and stay aware of My presence.... Then you will constantly walk your earthly path in company with your eternal Father, then you can never go wrong, then you will mentally dwell increasingly more in spiritual spheres and your progress will be assured. You could achieve so much if you remember My Word and conduct yourselves in accordance with My Words.... if you 'ask the Father in My name....'

Earthly and spiritually you cannot make an inappropriate request, I will always grant your wishes, for I made this promise to you and I keep My Word. Call upon the divine Redeemer with Whom the Father united Himself.... Call to God in Jesus Christ.... Then you, too, will belong to the redeemed, then you will have penetrated the mystery of God's human manifestation.... For unredeemed people completely lack the belief that I embodied Myself in the human being Jesus.... But you demonstrate this belief when you ask 'the Father in My name'....

Amen

The strength of prayer....

B.D. No. 8607

September 5th 1963

You should test the strength of prayer far more often in order to recognise your Father's love increasingly more, for I will always give you what you ask of Me in firm faith, and when you find out that I hear you and that My love gives to you according to your faith, you will feel ever more closely connected to Me. You should always know that prayer is the bridge to reach Me, for in prayer you establish the bond with Me and My strength of love can take effect in you. By praying to Me you acknowledge Me as your God and Creator Who **can** grant your prayer because He has the power to do so and, as Father, also **wants** to grant your prayer because He loves you. However, it must be a prayer in spirit and in truth, for your lips can also voice words in the form of a prayer which cannot reach My ear because they do not arise to Me from the bottom of your heart. So many thoughts move you every day, you have so many wishes, some greater and some smaller ones, and you would only ever have to present them to Me, and truly, I would take care of even the smallest matter if you appeal to Me for it, then you would become progressively more aware of My presence and your life on earth would be much easier. Time and again **I** want to be in your thoughts, everything you do you should have something to do with Me and you should be in constant contact with Me through prayer.... Never cease praying.... This does not refer to the constant formal prayers which will only ever be voiced by your mouth but never come forth from your heart.... Yet you should seek My advice in everything you think and do, then you will lead a way of life according to My will, always being guided by Me and motivated into every action, which will then also be right. As Father I want your absolute trust in My love and power.... My love will never deny itself, yet you must desire it yourselves, which a true prayer in humility testifies to. And even if you start every undertaking with just a thought of Me, or a request you present to Me, I always want to prove My presence to you by getting involved with everything, for this heartfelt bond results in an abundance of strength and is also the successful test of will, because you are continuously urged towards Me, thus you seek unification with Me which you once broke off. You can achieve much with your prayer, for yourselves as well as for all those on whose behalf you intercede. Your prayer is a source of strength for yourselves and for your fellow human beings which will never run dry, for you shall pray 'incessantly'.... Hence, there are no limitations for you, and since every contact with Me assures you an influx of strength, you need not fear a cessation of strength.... for you will join Me ever more closely until you can no longer imagine a life without Me. I want to be your beginning and your end, no day shall pass by when you will not come to Me in prayer and appeal for My blessing.... And truly, your earthly progress will lead you to the goal, to complete union with Me. Use the strength of prayer, enter the bridge to Me as often as possible for you, never keep Me out of your thoughts, present all your requests to Me, regardless of how small, for I want to prove to you that I know all your thoughts, problems and wishes by always intervening and guiding you out of all adversity, by being your constant companion, for even the slightest thought will draw Me to you and My love will flow to you, which will always help you to

progress. And anyone who is in constant contact with Me will not be scared by what is happening in the world either, he is staying in My sphere, for although he still lives in the midst of the world, his soul has completely detached itself from the world, because it is always looking for Me, because My presence means more to it than all the possessions in the world...

Amen